

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q77594

Jean STEINMETZ, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/670,513

Group Art Unit: 1742

Confirmation No.: 8638

Examiner: Lois L. ZHENG

Filed: September 26, 2003

For: METHOD FOR TREATING METAL SURFACES BY CARBOXYLATION

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

July 24, 2008:

**REMARKS**

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None.
2. Identification of claims discussed: Claim 1.
3. Identification of art discussed: Derule et al., Emmonds et al., and Carson et al.
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: Possible claim amendments were

discussed.

5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: The arguments presented in the Amendment filed on November 1, 2007 were discussed in further detail.

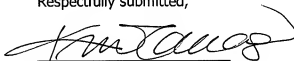
6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: None.

7. Results of Interview: Applicants' representative requested that the Examiner further consider the arguments presented and indicated that Applicants would determine how to proceed based on the discussions with the Examiner.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

**It is believed that no petition or fee is required.** However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,



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